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SUBJ: GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT

REF: (A) STATE 164216; (B) LEARY/POMERANZ TELECON JULY 17;
(C) STATE 151341

1. GEOFF ELLIOT, DIRECTOR, GENERAL TRADE POLICY
BRANCH, ITC, CONFIRMED TO ECON COUNSELOR, SUBSEQUENT
TO REF B TELECON, THAT LATIMER WILL NOT BE IN
OTTAWA ON AUGUST 19 AND 20 BUT SAID THAT LATIMER
WOULD NEVERTHELESS FAVOR POMERANZ VISIT AT THAT TIME
TO MEET WITH GOC INTEGAGENCY GROUP AND EXCHANGE IDEAS
ON GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT EXERCISE. IN ADDITION TO
MEETING WITH INTER-GENCY GROUP, ELLIOT SAID,
INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENTS COULD BE ARRANGED WITH
APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS IF POMERANZ SO DESIRES. ELLIOT
MENTIONED IN PARTICULAR THAT APPOINTMENT WITH SENIOR
ASSISTANT DEPUTY MINISTER TOM BURNS WOULD PERHAPS
BE WORTHWHILE IF BURNS DOES NOT PARTICIPATE IN INTEG-
AGENCY MEETING. ELLIOT SAID EITHER AUGUST 19 OR
AUGUST 20 SATISFACTORY FOR GOC BUT ASKED FOR EARLY
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INDICATION OF WHICH DATE POMERANZ CHOOSES SO THAT

ARRANGEMENTS CAN GET UNDERWAY. PLEASE ADVISE.

2. ON QUESTION OF U.S. SUBMISSION TO OECD
SECRETARIAT (REF C), ELLIOT, WHO EARLIER HAD
EXPRESSED PERSONAL SKEPTICISM ABOUT POSSIBILITY OF
ARRIVING AT AGREED TEXT IN TWO MORE MEETINGS OF
TCWP, SAID GOC WOULD VERY MUCH FAVOR "LIGHTING A
BUNSEN BURNER UNDER TCWP" IN ORDER TO GET READY
TO MOVE INTO NEGOTIATING CONTEXT. HE SAID GOC LOOKS
FORWARD TO HEARING POMERANZ'S IDEAS ON SUBJECT AND
SEES LITTLE DIFFICULTY IN COMING TO MEETING OF MINDS
ON BASIC CONCEPT. JOHNSON

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